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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby makes the following document of record in the above-identified application:

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- (1) U.S. Patent No. Des. 403,076, issued 12/22/1998 to York

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It is believed that this disclosure complies with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. If for any reason the Examiner considers otherwise, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be contacted by the Examiner by telephone in order that any deficiencies may be expeditiously remedied.

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